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Re: BNSF Internal Controls for the Libby Railyard

Dear Katherine and Lorraine:

In addition to, and frequently in connection with, recorded institutional controls, BNSF uses internal controls to manage environmental restrictions on its property. Its process includes the addition of property restrictions as an overlay to corporate maps (see the attached Exhibit "A" prepared for that purpose) and the addition of the restrictions as an overly in and to an interactive GIS system available to internal users. Attached are some screen shots illustrating the GIS system. Key employees in the Kootenai River Subdivision have also been advised of the restrictions and the additions to corporate maps.

When a formal deed restriction is recorded, a copy of that document is maintained in a real estate database with a document reference number added to corporate maps depicting the implicated area. A copy of the document is also available through a link in the GIS system when viewing the impacted area.

Sincerely,

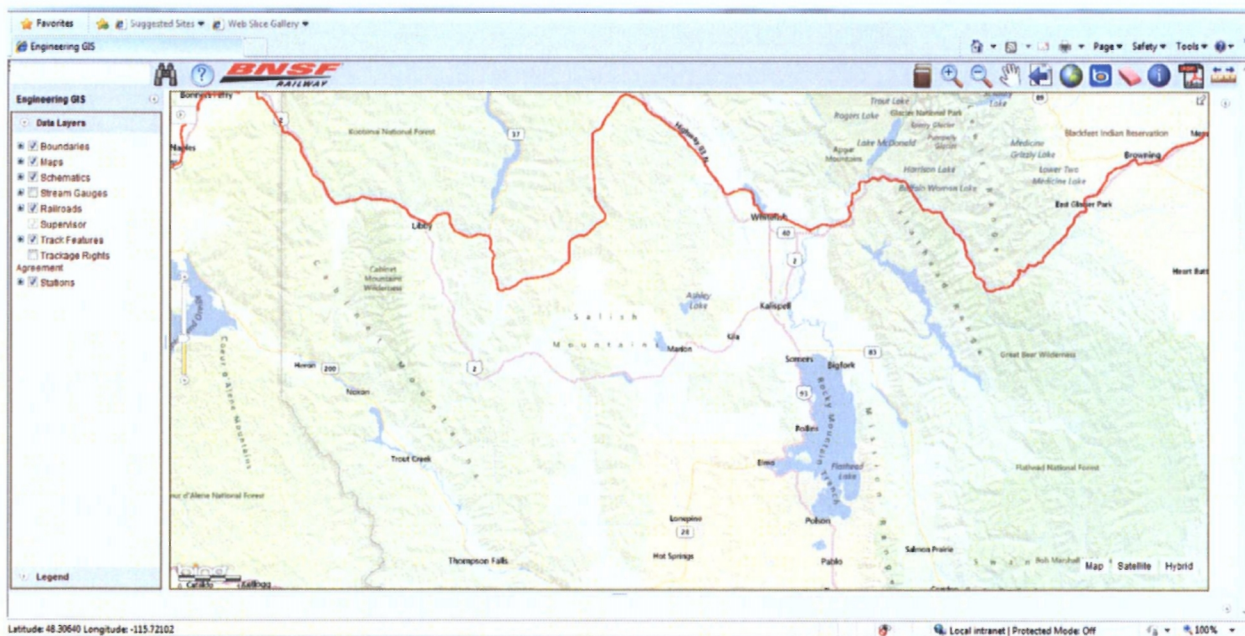


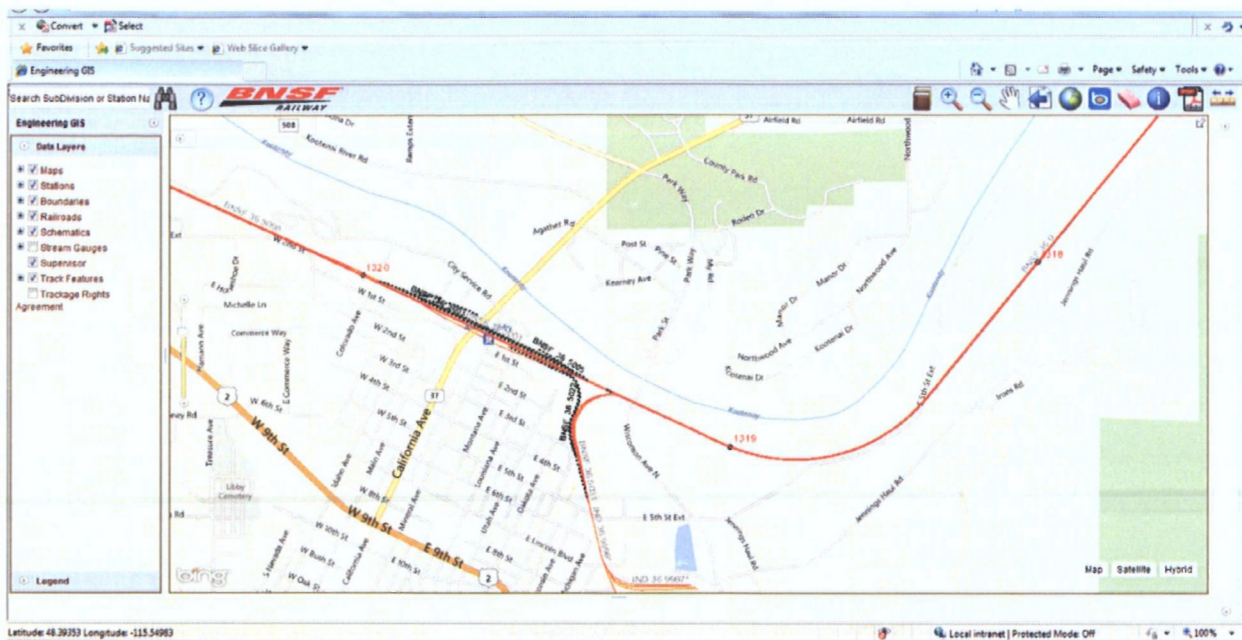
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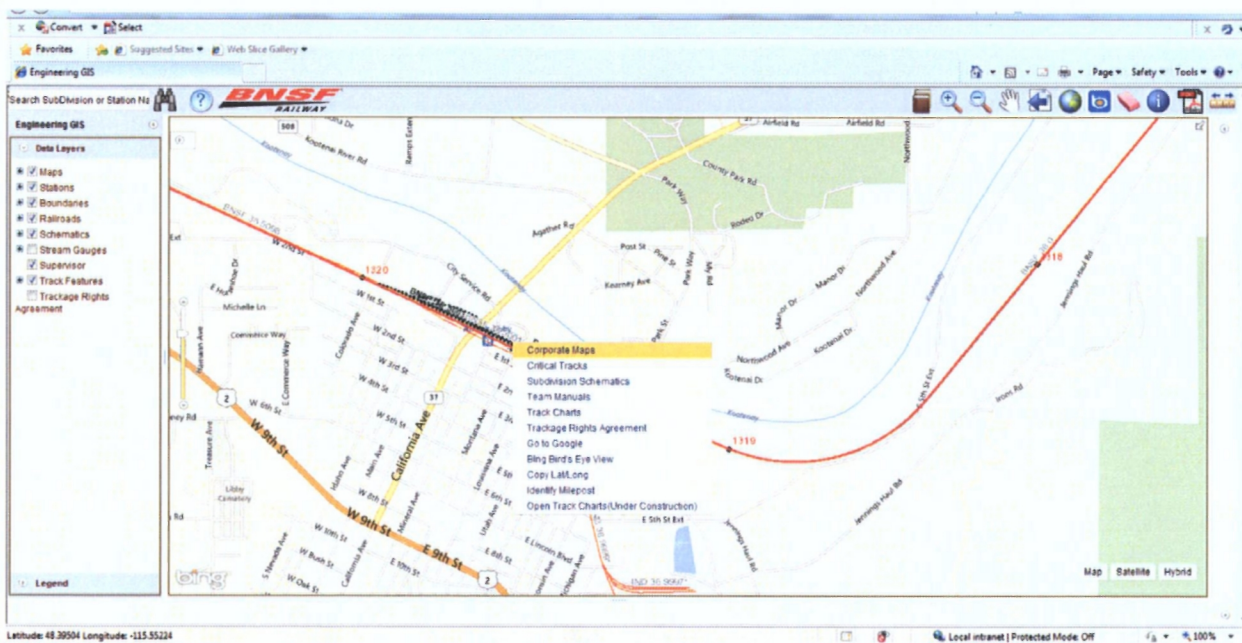
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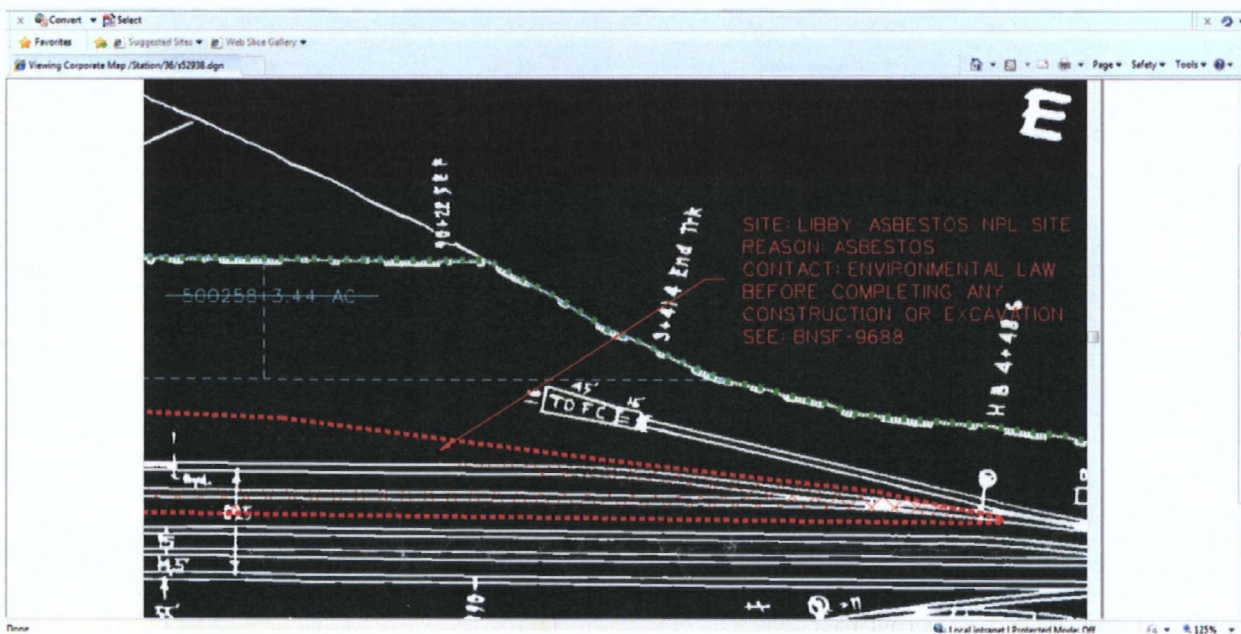
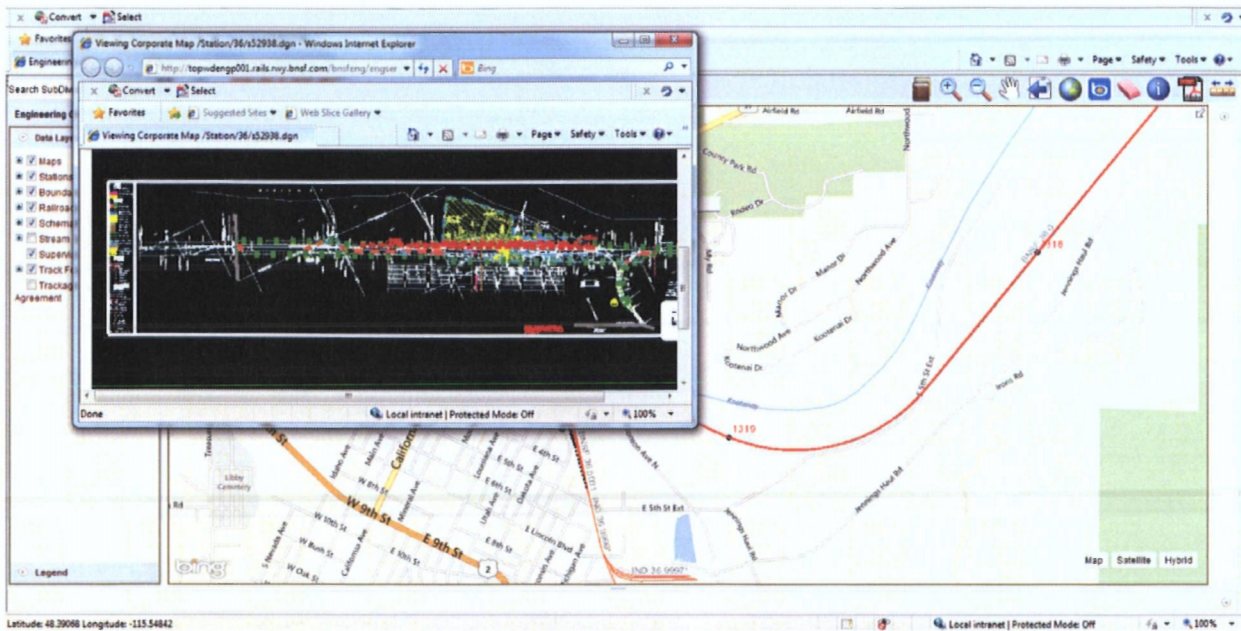
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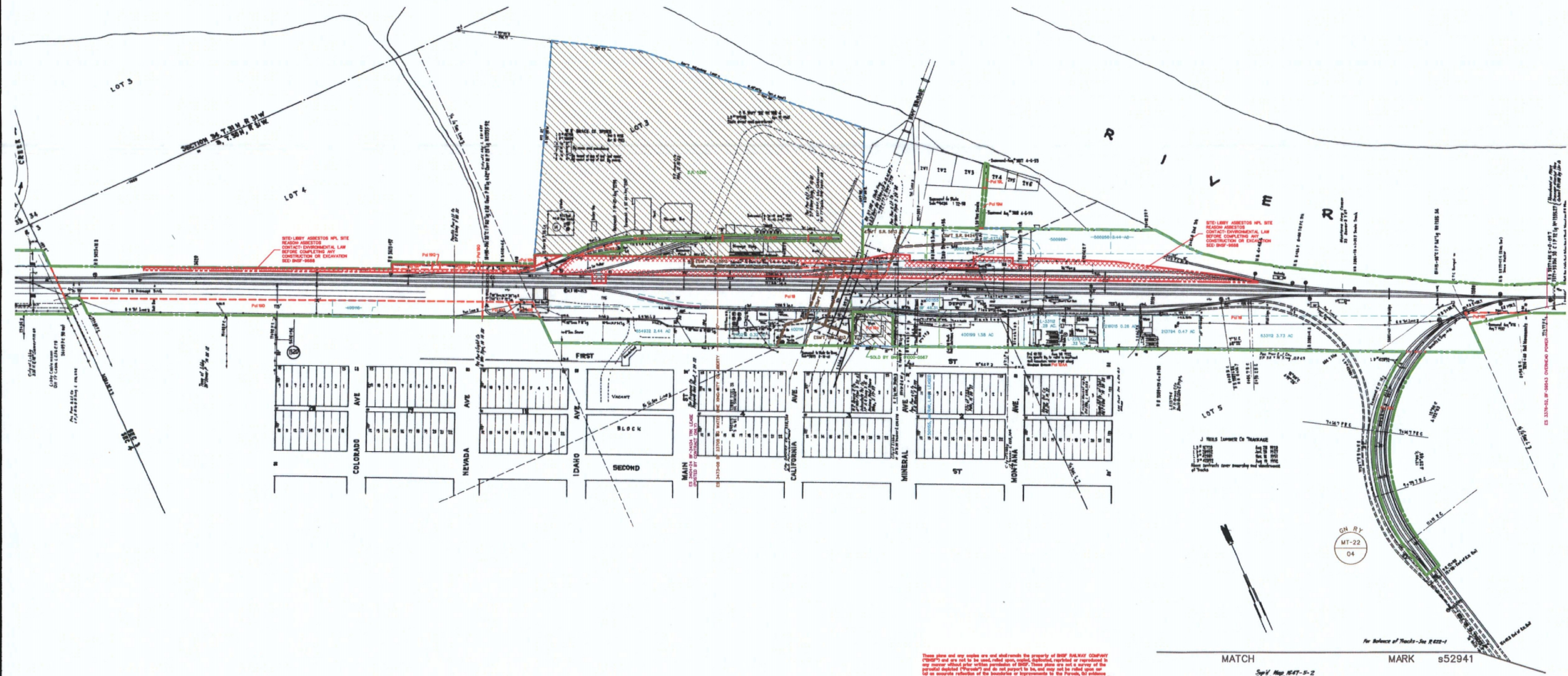




Linked to corporate maps







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Supp Map MT-5-2
Plan No. 622-1
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